



# Michigan Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Task Force

**Invitation to Participate in  
Strategic Planning Meetings**  
July 14 and August 11, 2006  
9:00 AM—4:00 PM

## **FASD - Why be concerned?**

- *More than 1 in 5 pregnant women report alcohol use in the first trimester, 1 in 14 in the second trimester, and 1 in 20 in the third trimester*
- *FASD affects nearly 40,000 newborns each year*
- *The cost to the nation of FAS may be up to \$6 billion each year—Costs are related to medical care, special education, residential treatment services, supported employment and more*
- *FASD is 100% preventable*
- *To learn more, go to <http://fascenter.samhsa.gov>*

The Michigan FASD Task Force is seeking input from all groups in Michigan that are impacted by the effects of prenatal exposure to alcohol. Your participation will shape the development of a strategic plan that will guide the Task Force in efforts to help with prevention and intervention for FASD.

Representatives are needed from:

- Public health
- Mental health
- Education
- Corrections
- Child welfare
- Faith communities
- Academia
- Policy makers
- Family groups
- Advocacy organizations

**Participation at both meetings is requested.**  
**Please RSVP to [sarah.bobo@hotmail.com](mailto:sarah.bobo@hotmail.com), 616-868-5232**  
Meetings will be held at the Michigan Resource Center  
111 W. Edgewood Blvd, Lansing